



Drinking Water Results and Q&A Sessions

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Dear Region 10 Colleagues,

Yesterday afternoon, we have received results of the Park Place water quality sampling performed on May 28. All but two of the drinking water supply points had lead levels below 15 parts per billion, which is the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL). We have taken actions regarding the two drinking water fountains that produced the samples above the lead MCL and more actions are planned. All test results and the Quality Assurance Project Plan are posted on the [Drinking Water Quality](#) page of the Park Place Remodel website. Additional information follows.

On May 28, Region 10 EPA staff collected samples from kitchen faucets, drinking fountains, and ice from the refrigerators located on floors 7 – 13 and floor 18. There were a total of 35 sampling points (two refrigerators did not have any ice in them to sample). The following two drinking fountains showed lead levels higher than the MCL of 15 ppb:

- 10th floor South. The result was 365 ppb.
- 12th floor Southwest. The result was 18 ppb.

We also sampled for copper. Copper has a Maximum Contamination Level Goal (MCLG) of 1300 ppb. This was exceeded in the six drinking fountains listed below:

- 7th floor North
- 8th floor North
- 9th floor North
- 10th floor North
- 13th floor North
- 18th floor North

EPA and GSA are working with Washington Holdings (building management) to take the following steps:

- Signs have been posted on the fountains
- Washington Holdings has turned off the water to the affected fountains.
- EPA, GSA and Washington Holdings will work together to install and test new

fountains

We will hold three Q&A sessions next week to discuss the results and answer your questions.

- Monday, June 16 from 12:30 – 1:30 in 21 Nisqually. MML = 206-553-4557.
- Tuesday, June 17 from 3:00 – 4:00 in 21 Umatilla. MML = 206-553-4557
- Wednesday, June 18 from 1:00 – 2:00 in 21 Denali. MML = 206-555-6212.

In the meantime, if you have questions, please contact Mark Filippini or Mary Kay Voytilla.

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